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H. R. 4276

[Report No. 113-598]

To extend and modify a pilot program on assisted living services for veterans with traumatic brain injury.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 18, 2014

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. McCARTHY of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

Additional sponsors: Mr. ENYART, Mr. JOLLY, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. YOUNG of Indiana, and Ms. SINEMA

SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

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[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 18, 2014]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Traumatic*
5 *Brain Injury Care Improvement Act of 2014”.*

6 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF PILOT PRO-**

7 **GRAM ON ASSISTED LIVING SERVICES FOR**
8 **VETERANS WITH TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY.**

9 (a) *MODIFICATION OF REPORT REQUIREMENTS.—*
10 *Subsection (e) of section 1705 of the National Defense Au-*
11 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110-181;*
12 *38 U.S.C. 1710C note) is amended to read as follows:*

13 “(e) *REPORTS.—*

14 “(1) *QUARTERLY REPORTS.—*

15 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—For each calendar*
16 *quarter occurring during the period beginning*
17 *January 1, 2015, and ending September 30,*
18 *2017, the Secretary shall submit to the Commit-*
19 *tees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and the*
20 *House of Representatives a report on the pilot*
21 *program.*

22 “(B) *ELEMENTS.—Each report submitted*
23 *under subparagraph (A) shall include each of the*
24 *following for the quarter preceding the quarter*

1 *during which the report is submitted the fol-*
2 *lowing:*

3 “(i) *The number of individuals that*
4 *participated in the pilot program.*

5 “(ii) *The number of individuals that*
6 *successfully completed the pilot program.*

7 “(iii) *The degree to which pilot pro-*
8 *gram participants and family members of*
9 *pilot program participants were satisfied*
10 *with the pilot program.*

11 “(iv) *The interim findings and conclu-*
12 *sions of the Secretary with respect to the*
13 *success of the pilot program and rec-*
14 *ommendations for improvement.*

15 “(2) *FINAL REPORT.—*

16 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days*
17 *after the completion of the pilot program, the*
18 *Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Vet-*
19 *erans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of*
20 *Representatives a final report on the pilot pro-*
21 *gram.*

22 “(B) *ELEMENTS.—The final report required*
23 *by subparagraph (A) shall include the following:*

24 “(i) *A description of the pilot program.*

1 “(ii) *The Secretary’s assessment of the*
2 *utility of the activities carried out under*
3 *the pilot program in enhancing the rehabilita-*
4 *tion, quality of life, and community re-*
5 *integration of veterans with traumatic*
6 *brain injury.*

7 “(iii) *An evaluation of the pilot pro-*
8 *gram in light of independent living pro-*
9 *grams carried out by the Secretary under*
10 *title 38, United States Code, including—*

11 “(I) *whether the pilot program*
12 *duplicates services provided under such*
13 *independent living programs;*

14 “(II) *the ways in which the pilot*
15 *program provides different services*
16 *that the services provided under such*
17 *independent living program;*

18 “(III) *how the pilot program*
19 *could be better defined or shaped; and*

20 “(IV) *whether the pilot program*
21 *should be incorporated into such inde-*
22 *pendent living programs.*

23 “(iv) *Such recommendations as the*
24 *Secretary considers appropriate regarding*
25 *improving the pilot program.”.*

1 (b) *DEFINITION OF COMMUNITY-BASED BRAIN INJURY*

2 *RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATIVE CARE SERVICES.*—Such
3 section is further amended—

4 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**AS-**
5 **SISTED LIVING**” and inserting “**COMMUNITY-**
6 **BASED BRAIN INJURY RESIDENTIAL REHABILI-**
7 **TATIVE CARE**”;

8 (2) in subsection (c), in the subsection heading,
9 by striking “ASSISTED LIVING” and inserting “Com-
10 MUNITY-BASED BRAIN INJURY RESIDENTIAL REHA-
11 BILITATIVE CARE”;

12 (3) by striking “assisted living” each place it ap-
13 pears, and inserting “community-based brain injury
14 rehabilitative care”; and

15 (4) in subsection (f)(1), by striking “and per-
16 sonal care” and inserting “rehabilitation, and per-
17 sonal care”.

18 (c) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by this
19 section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this
20 Act.

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